

SLUSH FUND CHARGE STIRS UP TEACHERS

But Great Assemblage Refuses to Adopt Resolution Offered in Protest.

SIX OVERFLOW MEETINGS

Mrs. Edna Bryant, Sponsor of the Charge, Fails to Put In an Appearance.

Besides packing the auditorium of the Washington Irving High School yesterday six overflow meetings in classrooms resulted from the call sent out to teachers of the city to protest against the charge that they have contributed to a "slush" fund to support the Lockwood-Denolue bill.

More than 5,000 men and women responded to the call, and their indignation at the charge said to have been made by Mrs. Edna M. Bryant at a recent hearing before Mayor Hylan at times expressed itself in hisses. Both Mrs. Bryant, who is a teacher in Public School No. 26, Richmond, and Frederick Lewis, who is alleged to have stated that teachers were being coerced into paying one per cent. of their salaries to support the bill, had been invited to attend. They were not discovered in the crowd.

Florence H. La Guardia, President of the Board of Aldermen, tried to smooth the troubled waters by saying he had attended the hearing before the Mayor and that the impression left with members of the Board of Estimate was at variance with the "slush" fund story. He referred to the subject for which the mass meeting was called as a "tempest in a teapot," and the teachers voiced their disapproval of this attitude by shouts of protest.

Doesn't Know Mayor's Thoughts.

"What does the Mayor think about it?" one of the teachers asked. "Oh—how do I know what the Mayor thinks?" he replied. "Your fight is with the Legislature. Concentrate in Albany."

Miss Anna Hand, a teacher in Public School 58, Manhattan, arrived at that moment in a breathless state, carrying her coat over one arm and a suitcase in one hand. She had just come from Albany and was able to give the indignant teachers the latest news from the front.

Her first announcement, that the "slush" fund story was not believed by the Legislature, was met with signs of relief. Then she stated that the objectionable declaration, that brought forth loud applause.

"But if he never said it how can he retract it?" demanded a teacher.

"Never mind, let it rest that way," advised Miss Hand.

One of the most interesting persons at the meeting was Lewis H. Dutton, principal of the school in which Mrs. Bryant is a teacher. Mr. Dutton showed a sheet of paper containing the names of fourteen teachers who had resigned yesterday from the Professional Elementary Teachers' Association, of which Mrs. Bryant is president. There are twenty-four members, and some of the others are expected to resign.

Protest by Lewis's Students.

Mr. Dutton said that Mrs. Bryant had been called before the district superintendent's office last Tuesday and had admitted having spoken of the fund.

The teachers of Mr. Lewis's school, the Boys High School in Brooklyn, adopted a resolution protesting against the statements credited to him.

Manhattan Borough President Curran said he was for the Lockwood-Denolue bill without compromise, and that the "slush" fund story was nothing more or less than an attempt to draw a herring across the trail of the right bill. He said that he had just sent a telegram to the Legislature expressing his approval of the bill.

Mrs. Clarice Barlight told of having devoted two weeks to obtaining the signatures of 50,000 parents for the bill. Although the central meeting, which packed the gallery and left hundreds of teachers standing at the back and sides of the auditorium, refused to adopt a resolution denouncing the salary proposals by the Board of Estimate, one of the six overflow meetings voted favorably on it.

To-night there will be meetings for parents in 500 of the schools to consider the educational crisis.

TEACHERS TO LEAVE UNION OR LOSE JOBS

St. Louis Board Forbids A. F. of L. Affiliation.

Special to THE SUN AND NEW YORK HERALD.

St. Louis, April 14.—The Board of Education notified public school teachers to-day not only to refrain from joining the Central Trades and Labor Union, but also that high school teachers belonging to the union must withdraw from their affiliation with the American Federation of Labor or lose their jobs.

To make this effective a resolution, offered as a proposed amendment to the regular monthly meeting of the board by W. Frank Carter, who, in addition to being a member of the board, is president of the Chamber of Commerce.

WOMEN PICKETS NOW ASSAIL BRITISH LOAN

Carry Banners Outside White House and Treasury.

Special to THE SUN AND NEW YORK HERALD.

Washington, April 14.—This White House and the Treasury Department to-day were picketed by women who have been active in Washington for the last two weeks in the interest of Irish freedom. Mrs. Harry Walker and Miss Rosemary Marshall, both of New York city, carried banners criticizing the Government for lending money to Great Britain and failure to collect interest that is due.

"Make England pay her interest over—\$12,000,000," one of the banners read. "England supports her army on money she owes the United States."

"Make England pay the \$4,000,000,000 owed us on demand notes," read the other. "Money loaned by the United States keeps Ireland in subjection."

The police did not interfere with the pickets.

Sought Presidency, Dies of Flu.

SAN JUAN DEL SUR, Nicaragua, April 14.—Spanish influenza is causing many deaths and already several prominent persons have died of the disease. These include Tomas Martinez, a son of former President Martinez, who it was expected, would be a candidate for the Presidency of the Republic.

GOMPERS BLAMES MASSES' EXPLOITERS

Labor Restless, He Says, as People Write in Profiteers' Chuckle.

LAW GRINDING WORKERS

'Rumblings Are Menacing,' He Adds; Advises Cohesion and No Wildcat Strikes.

CLEVELAND, April 14.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, issued this statement to-day regarding the general industrial unrest:

"The condition of the workers in the United States has been, since the signing of the armistice, that condition has been aggravated by profiteers, by a number of employers and by the action of national and State legislatures in enacting, or attempting to enact, legislation not of a constructive but of a restrictive character."

"Not a practical thing has been done to prevent the soaring of the prices of the necessities of life."

"Laws made to protect the masses of the people from exploitation have been turned against them while the profiteers and exploiters chuckle with glee."

"No wonder, then, that the workers who are now 33-1-3 per cent. worse off financially than before the war are discontented and resentful on account of their present conditions and surroundings. It requires no close social or economic student to understand the situation."

"Unless wages are increased to meet the increased cost of living it is equal to a reduction of wages and a corresponding lowering of the workers' standards."

"No wonder, then, that we find workers, non-members of organized workers, and even some who are union men, becoming impatient and disregarding the discipline usually practiced in labor unions."

"I urge upon all the workers in their own interests, to organize and practice self-restraint so that in an orderly and rational manner the demands of labor may be presented and secured. Little or nothing can be accomplished by wildcat strikes."

"Employers, business men and men in official and public life, whether in or out of the legislative or administrative bodies, should also understand the acute situation and heed the normal demands made by the organized labor movement, for the rumblings are menacing."

Discounts Dry Enforcement Cost.

Special to THE SUN AND NEW YORK HERALD.

Washington, April 14.—It will not cost \$50,000,000 a year, as some have charged, to enforce national prohibition; it will not cost even \$5,000,000, according to General Counsel Wayne B. Wheeler of the Anti-Saloon League. Mr. Wheeler said to-day in a letter to Senator Sheppard (Tex.), sponsor of national prohibition in that body.

B. R. T. DIVIDENDS PAID FROM 'DEFICIT'

Were Declared Year in Advance, Inquiry Shows.

The New York Consolidated Railroad Company, which is the operating company of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit elevated system, made it a custom to declare dividends for a full year in advance of having earned them, and when the receiver took charge in 1919 the company actually had a deficit instead of a surplus to meet the dividend which had been declared in advance for that year. This was the testimony of Wood D. Loudon, Deputy Commissioner of Accounts, who testified as to his examination of the company's books from August, 1919, to December 31, 1919, at the traction inquiry before the Board of Estimate yesterday.

A dividend amounting to \$145,000 was declared in advance for 1919, said Mr. Loudon, of which amount \$173,500 had been paid when the receiver took charge, at which time there was a deficit of \$12,276.40, which would have been larger except for the fact that the company had realized \$1,028,740 from the sale of the sixty-third street dock property to the United States Government.

Oscar S. Straus Honored Again.

Oscar S. Straus, first president of the New York Peace Society, was again elected to that office yesterday after a lapse of thirteen years at the annual meeting of the society at the Astor Hotel. He succeeds Andrew Carnegie, who held office from January, 1907, until his death last August.

'ORPHAN'S DAY' AT CIRCUS ON APRIL 26

Crippled Children Also to See Special Performance.

Superintendents, matrons and other persons who have charge of orphanages and homes for crippled children, upon reading this notice may prepare to get their kiddies together for a journey to Madison Square Garden. The folks who run the circus have fixed the morning of Monday April 26, for a special performance at which every last child in these institutions of the city is wanted. These in charge of the homes should write the Secretary, Ringling Brothers-Barnum & Bailey Circus, Madison Square Garden, stating the number of children who can go. There is no limit to the seating capacity of the garden for this performance.

"Orphan's Day" performances formerly were given in the afternoons, but the big advance sales for matinee have made the old plan impracticable. Many extra features, with especially funny clowns, have been ordered for the children. The performance will begin at 10 o'clock.

Fire Damages Boiler Plant.

PHILADELPHIA, April 14.—Fire early to-day destroyed nearly one-half the tank and boiler plant of the John Wood Manufacturing Company at Conshohocken, Pa., near here. The loss is estimated at \$200,000. Three of the buildings of the plant were destroyed.

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